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On August 2, 2016, the Board directed the Office of Child Protection, in collaboration with the Chief Executive Office (CEO), the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), the Department of Public Health (DPH), and applicable unions, to report back on the feasibility, benefits and detriments, if any, and fiscal viability of transferring public health nurses (PHNs) who work for DCFS to DPH.

On September 2, 2016, the OCP provided its report to the Board. The report outlined the OCP's rich and well-informed evaluation, which ultimately concluded that it is feasible and fiscally viable to transfer the DCFS PHN program to DPH.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors direct the Office of Child Protection, in collaboration with the CEO, DCFS, DPH and applicable unions, to consolidate the DCFS PHN program within DPH. Specifically, with the purpose of building a PHN program that promotes and improves child well-being, health and safety, we direct the Office of Child Protection to:

Engage all affected stakeholders, including but not limited to, the CEO,
DCFS, DPH, and the applicable unions, in discussions relating to the plan,
progress and desired outcomes of the consolidation;

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- 2. Direct the CEO to identify funding should any costs related to the transition accrue to ensure cost neutrality for DPH;
- Determine, using both anecdotal and evidence-based practices and research, how to most effectively utilize the PHN program for purposes of child welfare and safety, once it is transferred to DPH; and
- 4. Provide progress reports every 90 days on the efforts and outcomes relating to the consolidation.